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**AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 8, 2004,  
please amend as follows:

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 2 and include an  
attached replacement sheet following page 6 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims  
which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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**Amendments to the Abstract**

Please delete the originally filed abstract and replace it with the attached replacement sheet.

Attachment: Replacement sheet